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## REMARKS

This Amendment is filed responsive to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2003.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). The Examiner has found calims 5 and 6 (and the dependant claims tehreon) to be allowabel if claims 5 and 6 were rewritten in independent form including all limitation sof the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant thanks the Examiner for her guidance and has rewritten claims 5 & 6. No new matter has been added.

It is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance, and such early action is respectfully solicited. Should matters remain which the Examiner believes could be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney. Authorization is given to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-638. Please reference Attorney Docket Number 47406-011500/US when charging any payments or credits in connection with this application.

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